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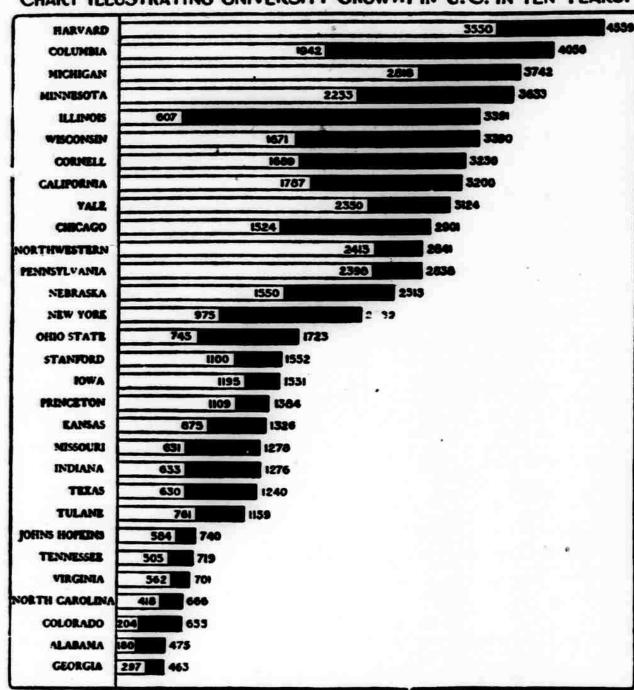
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WONDERFUL GROWTH OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES IN LAST 10 YEARS

Statistics Show That Colleges Are Increasing at a Proportionately Faster Rate Than the Population of the United States-Women Crowding to These Schools in Larger and Ever Larger Numbers - Practical Studies Generally Favored.

CHART ILLUSTRATING UNIVERSITY GROWTH IN U.S. IN TEN YEARS.



The light portion of the diagram opposite the name of each university indicates the relative number of students in 1894.5. The black portion shows the relative increase in the ten years since, the figures at the right being the attendance in 1964.5.

To insure right comparisons all preparatory and summer school students have been omitted. The anomalous reive-month college year of the University of Chicago has been reduced to the ordinary basis. Radcliffe and Barnaid, the women's colleges allied with Harvard and Columbia, have been reckoned as parts of those institutions.

Amel the varied comments made on American institutions for foreign observers since the daws of James Bryce's first visit no such general praise has been given to any other single factor in the nation's progress as to our colleges and universities. The higher education of the people, as bracticed in the United States, has been declared by the pessimistic visitors to be the strongest bulwark against the predicted dangers of Socialism and corruption. tion's progress as to our colleges and univarsities. The higher education of the people, as practiced in the United States, has been declared by the pessimistic visitors to be the strongest bulwark against the predicted dangers of Socialism and corruption.

By those who have take a more optimistic visit of a contestant new birth of conservative furces which have thus far kept the ship of state true to its course. In no decade previous to the period from 180 to 1806 have the larger educational institutions of this country leaped forward with such vigor gained so have the furce education attendance and efficiency of demarking issue in the intellectual and industrial workles of America.

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what are these tendencies? A study of the statistics of thirty universities meluding the historie institutions of the East the great State universities of the West and a number of typical or dominant universities of the South develops some noteworthy facts. The fluores of attendance at these institutions in the last completed college year. 198-3, and in 188-3, and the gain of each during the fecade, are shown in the following table, summer school and preparatory students being omitted:

ROW PASTER THAN POPULATION.
It is to be noted at the outset that these universities are growing faster than the population. From 186 to 190 the number of iniabitants in the United States increased less than 22 per cent. The attendance at these thirty institutions intendance at these thirty institutions in pressed for per cent, or almost three times.

How seriously these wide differences in growth have affected the rank of the institutions in respect to size is shown in the following table:

in the list—Missouri.

HARVARD WILL LOSE PIRST PLACE.

Yale and Pennsylvania have both fallen in position, the former from fifth to minth place and the latter from fourth to twelfth place. Harvard, though still in the lead, is barrely 200 ahead of the second, Columbia, whereas in 1895, with a smaller attendance the Cambridge institution was 200 ahead of Michigan, which then stood second in the list. If Columbia continues to grow as fast as in the last decade, following its removal to ampier quarters on the heights of New York City, it will pass Harvard in two years, unless the latter increases more rapidly than it has of late. But, on the other hand, signald the marvelous increase of attendance continue at the University of fillinois, that institution will be ahead of Harvard and Columbia in two years time. While the prohabilities are very much against such phenomenal growth as that of Illinois lasting much longer, there can be little doubt that some one of the Western State universities. Michigan, Minnesota, Illinois, or Wiscousin will take first place within five years. Behind each one of these stands the proud people of a great Commonwealth is whom the university is an own possession. The prooved and loyal alumnifor the privately endowed universities of the East can scarcely hope to match these vast constituencles.

This same pride in State institutions in the South, a sentiment less pronounced than in the West, but steadily growing, is certain to bring speedly to fruition some splendid universities.

In the growth of attendance on the various university courses gone remarkable and significant differences are shown. The trend of American youth in respect to their life work is here definitely set forth. Put in the simplest form, the increase in number of students in the Several courses from 1866 to 1806 was as follows:

The relatively small increase in medical students is the legitimate result of two marked tendencies. lengthenian the course to four years and raising the requirements for adminsion.

Law also is not gaining as many recruits as other courses, the increase being only 4 per cent. as compared with the average of increase for all courses. 6 per cent. But as the number of law students is growing at twice the rate of the population, there would seem to be no special danger of litigation flagging for lack of advocates for the contestants.

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Last comes the sex problem, so to speak, in the higher education. Women are crowding to the universities in larger and ever larger numbers. In twenty universities from which comparative figures of the attendance of men and women were obtainable, there were 4.59 women students in 186-5 and 3,5% in 180-5. The per cent of gain in the decade, 186, is 40 per cent higher than that, of the entire body of students. This phenomenon of more rapid increase of women than men in the college halls has been constant and well high universal. California, which in 1856 enrolled less than 27 per cent women, now has about 60 per cent. Stanford University has aready felt obliged to restrict the number of women students to prevent the institution being perverted from the intentions of the founders. Of Nebraska's students more than 46 per cent are women. The attendance at Raddiffe is less than 10 per cent of that of the entire Harvard community, but the number of students in that women's annex has risen 60 per cent in the last ten years or double the rain of the college WOMEN GAINING ON MEN.

THE SUM OF TENDENCIES. These, then, are the tangible and im-cortant features of American university oriant features of American university rowth at this period: First-Attendance is growing faster than he population. Second—Western Institutions are growng faster than Eastern.
Third—The old arts course is falling beind relatively, while the scientific and
ingineering courses are forging to the Fourth—Fewer students are attending law and medical schools in proportion to the total number of students. Fifth—The number of women students Fifth-The number of women students growing faster than the number of

men.
In these vital developments there is food for thought for not only the college graduate, but also every other person interested in the educational and economic future of his country.

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AT SUICIDES OF CHILDREN.

leveral Distressing Instances Since Opening of Autumn Schools Bring Authorities to Discuss Matters. Berlin, Sept. 21—Several distressing in-tances of children's suicides have oc-urred since the autumn school term be-

curred since the autumn school term began.

This has brought on a discussion of the conditions of school and home life, and endeavors are being made to trace the causes of that increasing feebleness of the desire to live which, it is affirmed, the 11,00 suicides of 1902 indicate.

The statistics of children's self-murder in Saxony show that, although only seven persons less than 14 years old committed suicide in 1901-1902, the number rose to twenty-one in 1902.

The suicides of adults in Saxony increased in the same time from 1,395 to 1,427.

The causes of suicide in Germany are regarded as being exceedingly subtile. So-cialists blame distressing economic conditions. The clerical view is the increase of irreligion and the growth of sensual materialism, while critics of the school system assert that children are forced too much.

GIRL ENTERS LION'S CAGE TO WIN WAGER.

Overcome by Fright, She Is Taken Out in Safety, Though Ready to Faint.

Liverpool, Sept. 3.—An intrepdid giri of 18 years, the daughter of a well-known Liverpool man, is creating some excitement at Blackpool by her inordinate desire to become a lion tamer.

Accompanied by her gweetheart, she visited a menagerie, and, after watching a lion tamer go through a performance with a lion, she remarked she would not mind entering the cage herself.

"I will buy you a pair of gloves if you do," such her companion, laughingly. Immediately the girl sought out the manager and gained permission to enter the cage. She followed the trainer into the den, which contained a lion, two bears and a puma. The lion became restive, showed its fangs and growled at her. The girl lost her nerve, trembled violently and made a dash for the door. The trainer helped her through and she reached her friends in a fainting condition.

PLANS REVIVAL All Denominations Co-operate for

Religious Work. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Joplin, Mo., Sept. 2.—A perfectly organ-ized and enthusiastic evangelical cam-paign will be launched in Joplin October 1 All the evangelical churches of the city, All the evangelical churches of the city, with one exception, have entered the novement and pastors and people are making every effort to bring about the greatest wave of religious awakening that has ever been known in the district.

The preliminary organization is complete. The city is divided into three districts, and a capable evangelist will have charge of the services in each district. Arrangements for music, ushers, personal workers and all other details are already perfected. The First Christian Church is the only

The First Christian Church is the only one not participating in the campaign, and it has been announced by the pastor, Doctor Turner, that as soon as the present campaign closes his church will have a period of revival endeavor.

Never before in the history of Southmeat Missouri has a movement of such magnitude been undertaken by the Christian people, and the greatness of the undertaking seems to be the source of enthusiasm among those identified with the work.

UNIQUE RAILWAY PLANNED. Gasoline Motors Instead of Electricity to Be Used at Joplin.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Joplin, Mo., Sept. 21—The most unique railway in the country and one that appeals to business men of both the city and country, is proposed for Joplin and surrounding towns.

The feature of the road is that instead of electric nower, gasoline motor cars are to be used, which will not only save the expense of installing power plants and maintaining trolley and feed lines, but will eliminate the danger to life that is always found in electric lines.

The proposed line will start at Third street east of Main going west on Third to Joplin street, south on Joplin to Thirteenth, west on Thirteenth to Maiden Lanc, and thence south passing Barbee and Cunningham parks to Grand Falis. From that place the route will continue through Spring City and Spurgeon to Neosho, from there to Granby, Newtonia, Brge and Floneer. From Ploneer north to Pierce City, Monett and Friedstadt, and from there in a westerly direction to Big Springs, Sercogie, Duenweg and Joplin, a distance of nearly 190 miles. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

STRUGGLES WITH BIG LION. Ferocious Mountain Beast Attacks Unsuspecting Hunter.

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\$5.00 Silk Petticoats for \$2.98.

Ladies' Pure Taffeta. Silk Petticoats-wide, sweeping, pleated flounce with three sectional ruffles. Black only; second floor; \$5.00 value.....

\$1.25 52-inch All-Wool Black Panama Suitings.

At 10 A. M. for One-Half Hour.

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Monday's Extra-Special Bargains.

\$1.00 All-Silk Crepe de Chines.

At 9:30 A. M. for One-Half Hour. Real \$8.00 All-silk Crops de Chine in a soft, lu 24-inch crepe fabric. An elegant assortme shades, such as champagne, brown, mode, car such as champagne, brown, mode, cardi coeda, black, pink, turquoise, navy. Ti on sale Monday for One-Half Hour.

At 7 A. M. for One-Half Hear.

M-tack Planted Jacquard Metatr Brew Goods, in 10 good combinations of colors, including reds, blues, greens, browns, plum, and roy-al—will make very serviceable fall dresses—a 40-inch cloth, and retails at 25c a yard—this lot nearly half price at 3 o'clock Monday morning—7 yards to the dress pattern—only two to a customer—at.

\$1.75 Figured Mohair Dress Patterns.

Boys' \$3.50 Woolen Suits We have about 200 blue, black and fancy dark

35e Mercerized Sateens At 9 A. M. for One-Half Hous. To-morrow we shall offer 4,000 yards fine quality mercerized dress and lining Sateens, fast black and some colors; 34 and 36 inches wide; worth from 25c to 35e a yard; on

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\$2.50 Iron Frame Wash Wringers; white rub-

ber rolls:

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Sunlight Bargain-Basement Bargains. Dress Goods Remnants. 15cZephyrGinghams at 55c

Dress Goods Remnants—42-inch Worsted Suitings, in blues, browns, etc., neat little checks, suitable for children's dresses or ladies' skirts; worth 50c.....

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Ladies' plain white and trimmed Handkerchiefs in swiss and linen.....

reds. grays and browns: 71/26

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The moth lays its eggs in a mass about two-thirds of an inch wide. While the eggs are occasionally deposited on branch, es or trunks of cross or even lamp posts or house walls, a majority are followed and shade trees. The moths show a liking for pear trees.

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